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1. BRITISH EMBASSY COUNSELOR MOBERLY CALLED ON DEPARTMENT
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OFFICER (BLAKE) JUNE 20 TO CONVEY UK DECISION TO FOLLOW FRENCH IN UTILIZING RUBBER STAMP IN UK PASSPORTS TO MEET LIBYAN ARABIC LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS. IN RESPONSE TO QUERY, MOBERLY INDICATED STAMP WOULD ALSO BE PLACED IN UK DIPLOMATIC PASSPORTS AND WOULD BE UTILIZED FREELY FOR BRITISH TRAVELLERS DESIRING TO VISIT LIBYA. MOBERLY ALSO INDICATED UK WOULD NOT REQUEST RECIPROCITY FROM LARG. HE ASKED FOR DEPARTMENT REACTION.

2. BLAKE INDICATED LATEST REPORT FROM BRUSSELS HAD ONLY JUST BEEN RECEIVED AND THAT INTERESTED VARIOUS DEPARTMENT OFFICERS HAD NOT YET HAD OPPOR? UNITY STUDY ITS IMPLICATIONS. SPEAKING PERSONALLY, HE EXPRESSED REGRET OVER UK DECISION FOLLOW FRENCH BUT UNDERSTANDING THAT ONCE FRENCH HAD BREACHED NATO SOLIDARITY ON THIS ISSUE OTHERS WOULD FOLLOW IN ORDER TO PROTECT THEIR RESPECTIVE NATIONAL INTERESTS. BLAKE EXPRESSED SOME DOUBT OVER WHETHER RUBBER STAMP PROCEDURE WOULD SATISFY QADHAFI' S AMBITION TO ELEVATE ARABIC TO BASIS OF EQUALITY WITH OTHER LANGUAGES. HE INDICATED THAT LIBYANS HAD NOT SHOWN TENDENCY TO COMPROMISE ON OTHER MATTERS ONCE THEY HAD INSERTED THIN WEDGE.
BLAKE PROMISED INFORM MOBERLY SOONEST OF CONSIDERED DEPARTMENT POSITION FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF REVIEW LATEST DEVELOPMENTS. ROGERS

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